Snuffing a candle increases the effect and diminishes the cause.

A talkative person seldom fails to make one pneumatically tired.

Men are like chickens-they always want to get on the highest roost.

How little man knows of his fellowman-unless he lives in a village,

Scorehing is injurious physicallyalso financially if the policeman catch-

Theories do very well as food for the mind, but corn beef and cabbage is better for the body.

A wife often thinks it funny that her husband ever fell in love with her and the husband often thinks it ridiculous. There are three million Germans in

this country who think that while the fatherland is sweet it had better attend to its own business. The only fighting that Spain prides

lects a bull for the enemy and gives him not a chance for his life. Henry M. Stanley looks for a reorganization of the Chinese army by

Russian military experts; but the

truth remains that it is blood that

herself on just now is that which se-

The Cubans are at present too much given to the removal of heads to be safe governors of Spaniards, or of anybody else. That is a solemn fact which we ought to have thought of

before.

neighborhood!"

Political prophets of evil are not unfairly satirized by the Washington Star when it represents one congressman as saying to another, "Don't you know that some of those islands in the Pacific Ocean are the work of coral insects?" "But what has that to lo with our taking possession of them?" "My friend, you are wholly deficient in the foresight that makes a statesman! Suppose some ship with a cargo of insect powder were to founder in the

Labouchere says that when one is ill a good-looking nurse is preferable to one that isn't good looking. That is the solemn truth; and it is equally true when one isn't ill. Let us hope that the authorities of the hospitals will bear this important fact in mind and cease their discrimination against girls who, wanting work as nurses, are refused it because of the mistortune of being pretty, or good-looking. There is not a patient anywhere who wouldn't vote for their soothing and helpful presence, and it is wrong to make them suffer for that of which they have a right to be proud.

No wonder the modern "funny man' is sometimes driven almost to distraction in his vain quest for an original loke, and that the ancient descent of all "good stories" has become proverbial. Brugach Pasha, the eminent Egyptologist, has discovered an ancient papyrus containing a lot of comic colored pictures, very much in the style of those today. They represent various animals dressed up as human beings, which is now a popular form of humor. Thus a cat dressed as a fashionable lady is taking a handmirror from a rat dressed as a slave, and a cat barber is shaving a rat attired as a fashionble dandy. Truly, if these things were current in ancient Egypt, we may literally say, with Mr. Kipling, "In the days of old Rameses that story had paresis!"

The difference between enlightened and unenlightened rulership is appreclated by some of the people in India, despite the widespread discontent that prevails there whenever the British government interferes with any halfcivilized customs. A leading native paper, the Pioneer of Lucknow, frankly says: "We are yet far from true his life has been one of daring and progress. Englishmen rule over us because they are possessed of those high moral virtues of which we have not a vestige. Nor are we likely to acquire them for centuries yet. . . . It is very essential, before we demand political rights and privileges from the Englishmen, that we should endeavor to acquire those virtues which alone have made Englishmen great among the nations of the world." Such a spirit as that prevailing among the people would make a tributary state easy to govern. But upon the governing state would rest the tremendous responsibility of living up to that estimate of it. There is a thought for this country, which has just annexed an inferior state and proposes to govern it. High moral virtue in doing so, to use the Indian's phrase, is all that can give us either justification or success.

For half an hour's playing on the pianoforte the other day in London Paderewski received five hundred guineas. For half an hour's playing on a plano-organ in the street after he had been told to move on, another man in London, that same afternoon, was not paid at all, but was fined seven shillinge. There is a problem for those socialists who believe, with Karl Marx, that all labor is of equal value, and that value is proportionate to the time consumed. Perhaps it will be to them renewed proof of the need of universal support. But, although the Americans vals of fifteen minutes. revolution.

# AGUINALDO'S AM

### It Knows No Bounds and Like as Not He Will Insist On Ruling the Philippine Islands.

war with Spain is yet to be met. This is the disposition of the Philippine islands and incidentally the disposition of Aguinaldo and his bands of insurgents. That the leader of the insurgents has been playing fast and loose with Dewey since his return to Manila on the Olympia has been fully demonstrated upon several occasions, and it is a fact that for the past three weeks he has been the chief cause of concern to both Admiral Dewey and Gen. Merritt. They have prepared themselves for any trickery on the part of Agulnaldo and have been keeping a close watch upon him, in consequence of which he had been so far kept in check, But how long will he remain passive? His declaration appointing himself dictator was not received by Admiral Dewey with the enthusiasm that the insurgent leader hoped for. In fact, he was rather put out by the way the admiral took it. Since his declaration he has been getting his forces together and now has several thousand men armed with Mauser and Remington rifles, together with several hundred thousand rounds of ammunition.

His forces are now at the very doors of Manila and daily and nightly the roar of field artillery and magazine rifles may be heard from the suburbs of the city. So resolute has been the steady advance that the water supply is now in the hands of the rebels, who at any moment have the power to leave the garrison and the civillan popula-tion without water. Aguinaldo is no He knew he must get his arms fool. from the Americans. After securing them he dropped his mask and became openly insolent. While he has kept up a friendly front he has issued secret orders to his men not to permit the Americans to secure necessary horses

or other equipments. Aguinaldo, who looks like a Japanese, has been the cause of more trouble to Spain than probably any other of her subjects. At one time there was an offer of \$25,000 for him dead or alive. Although but 26 years of age,

The most perplexing question of the | have received the insurgent leader kindly, gave him two modern field pieces, 300 rifles and plenty of ammunition. Dewey has proved himself too subtle a diplomat to commit either himself or the government to any wild scheme. Fancy a republic of some 8,000,000 people, of whom one-half are savages, and the rest, not more than about 50,000 excepted, with such civilization as Spain chose to impart. Of these 4,000,000 not more than 2 per cent can read. The Spaniards and Filipinos-that is, natives of the Philippines of Spanish parents-number, perhaps, 100,000. To establish a republican form of government under these conditions would mean to plunge

them at once into barbarism. And yet this is what Aguinaldo is fighting for and which may cause a clash of arms between him and the United States forces. If they do come together, however, the insurgent leader will quickly learn that the methods of the United States troops are different from the Spaniards and may soon find himself with his arms tied before a firing squad.

He has established himself in a fine house at Cavite, where, surrounded by his officers, he conducts the campaign against the Spaniards.

He has a modern desk, backed by a huge bevel-edged mirror, a couple of large iron strong boxes for the dictatorial treasury, an abundance of easy chairs, an old grand plano several feet taller than the modern make, and a large hat rack of fanciful design. The only signs of war are the ends of sword chains that peeped through holes in the gingham coats of the officers in attendance, and a metallic standard holder that leaned against the hat rack. The court of the dictator is not impressive. A chamberlain was identified as a boatman, and there were other touches of opera bouffe. Aguinaldo's present concern is the defeat of Augusti and he will not discuss the future of the islands. Aguinaldo seems to possess real ability but none of his followers shine in the estimate of the Am-

A PHILIPPINE CYCLONE. Daring Exploration of the Crater of Tael by Dr. Kane.

Prof. Charles W. Shields writes of "The Arctic Monument Named for Tennyson by Dr. Kane," and incidentallly gives a sketch of the latter in the August Century. Prof. Shields says: It was at Luzon, the largest of the Philippine islands, that this adventurous spirit, though under a scientific impulse, passed the limits of prudence in his far-famed exploration of the crater of Tael, a volcano on the Pacific coast of the island, in a region inhabited only by savages. Crossing over to the capital city of the island during one of the long delays of Chinese diplomacy, he procured an escort of natives from the archbishop of Manils, and, in company, with his friend, Baron Loe, a relative of Metternich's, penetrated the country to the asphaltic lake in which the island volcano is situated. The gentlemen at first descended together until they reached a precipice overhanging the cavernous gulf of the crater, when the baron saw further progress to be impossible. But the doctor, in spite of the remonstrances of the whole party, insisted upon being lowered over the ledge by means of a rope made of bamboos, and held in the hands of the natives. under the baron's directions, until he reached the bottom, two hundred feet below. Loosing himself from the cord. he forced his way downward through the sulphurous vapors, dipped his specimen bottle into its waters, returned to the rope, several times stumbling, almost stifled, with the one of his boots charred almost to a coal, he succeeded in again fastening himself, and was hauled up by his assistants, and received into hands, exhausted and almost insen-Remedles brought from the neighboring hermitage were applied, and he was so far restored that they could proceed on their journey. But rumors spread before them among the pigmy savages on the island of the profane invasion that had been made into the mysteries of the Tael, and an angry mob gathered about them, which was only dispersed by one or two pistol shots and the timely arrival of the padres. The trophles of the expedition were some valuable mineral spesiments, a bottle of sulphur water, a series of graphic views from recollection. in his sketch-book, and a written description of the volcano by one of the friars, which after many wanderings was put in his hands as he sat at the home dinner-table twelve years after-

Weather Station Over 19,000 Feet Up.

A NEGRO'S PRIVATE SCORE. Attended to His Share of Spanlard

fore Being Wounded. Wandering about the post in a suit of pink pajamas is a Titanic negro, six feet tall and of like proportions, says a Fort Monroe correspondent of the Chicago Record. His name is Americus Jackson, and he is a Private in the Tenth regular cavalry. This "Buffalo," as the colored soldiers of the army are familiarly called, "sought the bubble reputation at the cannon's mouth" at El Caney, and single-handed succeeded in overcoming a squad of the enemy and capturing a six-pound rapid-fire gun, shot three Spaniards and knocked four senseless with the butt of his carbine and the rest ran away in terror. Johnson was twice wounded, one ball passing through his left shoulder and another through his left leg, but neither remained in his body and no bones were broken. He speaks of his wounds contemptuously as "pin holes." They are healing rapidly and he will soon be able to return to his home in Texas and receive the honors due the brave. He has already received a great deal, and I 200000000000 grieve to relate that glory and admiration are confusing Johnson's memory. He is becoming somewhat inaccurate and inconsistent in his statements. He sits all day long under the shade of a tree in his pink pajamas, like the sultan of Senegambia, and relates the story of his achievements over and over again to throngs of colored people and straggling whites, who stand with both their ears and mouths open, paralyzed with awe. Like the editors of the yellow journals, Mr. Johnson has discovered that the public taste demands something hot and bloody, and he does his best to gratify that craving. By the time he gets to Texas Johnson will have captured an entire battery, perhaps captured Morro itself.

Making Ilim Acquainted. Mr. Edward A. Cook has lived in Henderson for several months past. He has made many friends, but some seemed to think that he had not received the proper degree of introduction to the merry side of life. So sev eral of them, led by some of his nextdoor neighbors-Messra. Roser, Adle. Levi, Clay and others-indicted him a missive as from a lady friend, asking that he compliment her with a basket of fruit. In the generosity of his heart Cook sent the fruit, which was appropriated by the cruel jokers. A tender missive from the same jokers induced Cook to accept Roser as his escort to the fair grounds last night. Arriving The highest meteorological station in there they entered the grounds, but it

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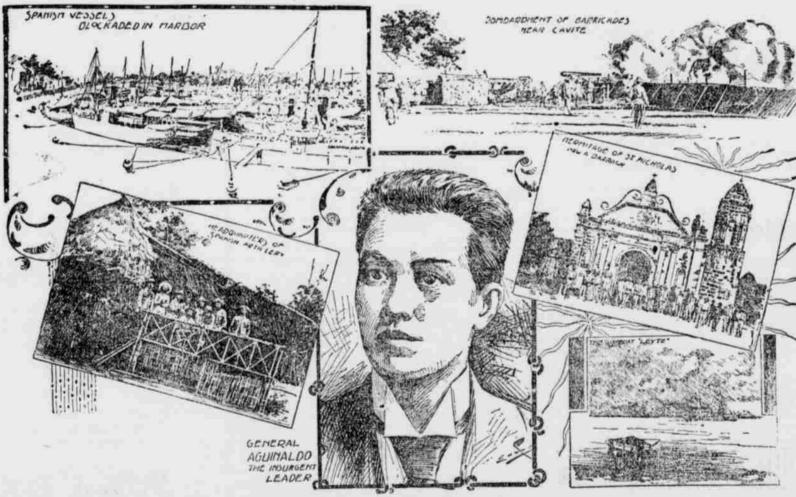
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SOME PICTURES IN AND ABOUT MANILA.

desperate deeds,

He was the leader in the last rebellion, but terms were finally made with the Spaniards by which Aguinaldo and his chief followers were paid an indemnity of \$800,000 on their leaving the islands forever. All the insurgents imprisoned got their freedom, and reforms were granted for which the natives had asked.

Aguinaldo, with his companions, executed his part of the agreement by leaving the Philippines, but the Spanlards paid only part of the indemnity and never carried out the promised re-Their chief object seemed to forms. be to get rid of Aguinaldo. When, therefore, Admiral Dewey destroyed the Spanish squadron and blockaded Manila, Gen. Aguinaldo reported first to the American Consul General, Pratt, at Singapore, and later to Consul General Wildman, at Hong Kong.

An agreement was soon reached by which he was permitted to go to the Philippines. Upon his arrival he first submitted his plans and wishes to Admiral Dewey and then proceeded to organize his forces for active operations. With the ammunition found in the arsenal, arms secured from other places and a few small field pieces, he put several thousand men upon the tracks of the Spaniards.

His scheme is to form a republic, with himself as president, and in this he tried to secure Admiral Dewey's

ericans here. They are of a rather low | the world is located on the summit of order as a rule, and generally ignorant and illiterate and Aguinaldo himself has not completely proved his strength and character.

That Gen. Merritt fully realizes the situation in Manila is best told in his own dispatches to the home government, in the last of which he suggested that his forces be increased to With this force he will be in a position to meet any emergency. In the meantime the 12,000 troops under him are camped under the protection of Admiral Dewey's fleet. Until confident of his force Gen. Merritt will probably make no move. But if attacked or forced to attack Aguinaldo's forces there will be inauguarated a campaign the end of which no one can

Tram Line With Gas Motor Cars. The town council of Neath, England, is shortly to grant a lease of the Neath corporation tramways to the British Gas Traction Company, Limited, of London. The lease will be for a term of seven years from July 1 next, at the option of the lessees for a further period of seven or fourteen years. This company will pay a rent of \$6,500 per annum, and will equip the tram lines with gas motor cars of improved design and construction, providing a continual through service of cars, starting from each terminus at inter-

a peak known as El Misti, near Arequipa, Peru. Harvard university is the maintainer of the station. It is one of eight operated by the university at Arequipa, the lowest being at a point fifty-five feet above the sea level, while two others are situated at 13,400 and 15,700 feet elevation respectively. The station on El Misti is 3,500 feet higher than the observatory on Mont Blanc and is visited fegularly once a month for the purpose of winding up the Instruments and changing the record sheets.

A Mistaken Impression. "That," said Maud, as the distinguished stranger entered the room, "is the Victoria Cross." "Is it?" inquired Mamie, in a tone of great interest. 'How many century runs must you make to get one?"-Washington Star.

Shades That Harmonize. Bill-"Don't you think Mrs. Crimonbeak has good taste?" Jill-"Excellent. Why, even the ribbons on her Eastern bonnet harmonizes with the shade of her husband's nose."

The Modern Damsel.

"For love of you I could become any thing. I could become a poet. I-The Loved-"Become a millionaire."-Modern Society.

was too dark for Cook, who began to demur. About this time vistol shots were fired all around and near by Roser fell as if dead, while Cook made 19,200 feet above the sea level and is haste to get away. After going several squares and in his haste leaving Roser on the field of battle, Cook caught a street car and came back to the city. The jokers soon joined him and efforts were made to impress him that Roser had been seriously wounded, but Cook had "caught on" ere this and though somewhat discomfited, took the whole matter good-naturedly. - Henderson (Ky.) Journal.

His Definition.

"What is a fiirt?" asket the small boy. "A fiirt," replied the old bachelor, "Is a pretty woman," "But what kind of a pretty woman?" persisted the small boy. "Any kind of a pretty woman," answered the old bachelor, "Well, how pretty must she be?" the youngster insisted. "Oh, pretty enough to have a chance to flirt," returned the old bachelor irritably. And still the boy was not satisfied, but as he grows older he will understand it better .-Chicago Evening Post,

The Proper Place. Query Editor-"This writer wants to know where the person with the wedding ring should be." Managing Editor (a confirmed bachelor)-- "Just say in the penitentiary."-Jeweler's Weekly.